# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COAL
# LOK SABHA

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Coal Blocks in NER
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has any data of the coal blocks in North-Eastern region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the efforts being made by the Government to exploit coal reserves in the NER to meet the shortage of supply of coal in power and other sectors/industries?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR COAL, POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): State wise reserves of coal in Million Tonnes in the North Eastern Region of India is as below:

| Sl. No | State | Coalfields (CF) | Proved | Indicated | Inferred (Exploration) | Inferred (Mapping) | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | MIAO BUM CF | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| | | NAMCHIK- NAMPHUK CF | 31.23 | 40.11 | 12.89 | 0.00 | 84.23 |
| | | ARUNACHAL PRADESH Total | 31.23 | 40.11 | 12.89 | 6.00 | 90.23 |
| 2 | ASSAM | DILLI-JEYPORE CF | 32.00 | 22.02 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 54.02 |
| | | MAKUM CF | 432.09 | 20.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 452.79 |
| | | MIKIR HILLS CF | 0.69 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 2.52 | 3.71 |
| | | SINGRIMARI CF | 0.00 | 4.13 | 0.00 | | 4.13 |
| | | ASSAM Total | 464.78 | 46.85 | 0.50 | 2.52 | 514.65 |
| 3 | MEGHALAYA | JAYANTI HILLS CF(MINOR CF) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.10 | 1.24 | 2.34 |
| | | BALPHAKRAM-PENDENGURU CF | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 107.03 | 107.03 |
| | | BAPUNG CF | 11.01 | 0.00 | 22.65 | 0.00 | 33.66 |
| | | EAST DARANGIRI CF | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 34.19 | 34.19 |
| | | KHASI HILLS CF(MINOR CF) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 10.10 | 10.10 |
| | | LANGRIN CF | 10.46 | 16.51 | 0.00 | 106.19 | 133.16 |
| | | MAWLONG-SHELLA | 2.17 | 0.00 | 3.83 | 0.00 | 6.00 |
| | | SIJU CF | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 |
| | | WEST DARANGGIRI CF | 65.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 59.60 | 125.00 |
| | | MEGHALAYA Total | 89.04 | 16.51 | 27.58 | 443.35 | 576.48 |
| 4 | NAGALAND | BORJAN CF | 5.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.50 | 10.00 |
| | | DGM REPORT | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 293.47 | 293.47 |
| | | JHANZI-DISAI CF | 2.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 | 2.08 |
| | | TIRU VALLEY CF | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.60 | 0.00 | 6.60 |
| | | TUEN SANG CF | 1.26 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 3.26 |
| | | NAGALAND Total | 8.76 | 0.00 | 8.60 | 298.05 | 315.41 |
| 5 | SIKKIM | RANGIT VALLEY CF | 0.00 | 58.25 | 42.98 | | 101.23 |
| | | SIKKIM Total | 0.00 | 58.25 | 42.98 | | 101.23 |
| | Grand Total | | 593.81 | 161.72 | 92.55 | 749.92 | 1598.00 |

Production of coal in Million Tonne (MT) by North Eastern Coalfields (NEC), Coal India Limited during the last three years is given below:-

| Company | State | 2012-13 (MT) | 2013-14 (MT) | 2014-15 (MT) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NEC | Assam | 0.60 | 0.66 | 0.78 |

Following future projects have been identified in North Eastern Coalfields to meet the shortage of supply of coal.

| S. No. | Name of the Project | Estimated Capacity (MT) |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Tipong OC | 1.00 |
| 2 | Jagan Block OC | 0.50 |
| 3 | PQ Block OC | 0.15 |
| 4 | Tikak integrated OC | 0.55 |

Coal India Limited (CIL) has envisaged doubling of its coal production by 2019-20 for which following steps have been taken:

i. Mines / projects to produce about 908.10 Million Tonnes have already been identified and further plans to augment production up to 1000 Million Tonnes are being developed.

ii. An assessment of the need for up-gradation of technology presently under practice in CIL mines and scope for further modernization has been carried out.

iii. In order to maintain the planned growth in production and evacuation in future, CIL has undertaken three major Railway infrastructure projects to be executed by Indian Railways in growing coalfields of South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, & Central Coalfields Limited.

iv. Exploration capacity is being increased through induction of modern equipment and outsourcing.

v. High capacity mines are being planned with deployment of high capacity/ high productivity equipment in Open Cast & Underground mines.

vi. Efforts are being made by all subsidiaries of CIL for obtaining Environmental Clearance/Forest Clearances within the scheduled time frame so that projects could start production.

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